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Organization

1. The Foreign Office's Political Department is divided by areas into Western, Central, and Eastern Divisions. A fourth Division handles transportation. A special section was set up recently to administer all matters pertaining to Yugoslavs in foreign countries.

2. The Foreign Office has undergone several reorganizations. The most recent one was effected in mid-1947 when the Central Committee of the Communist Party delegated a man named Krivec to reform the Office. At that time the legal section of the Office was disbanded and replaced by an advisory staff of law professors.

Communist Personnel

3. The key party member in the Foreign Office is Juranic, Director of the Control Division, and a former Assistant Director of the Political Department. He is a veteran of the Spanish Civil War.

4. Another important party member in the Foreign Office is Gjurgev, also a veteran of the Spanish Civil War. He was in Moscow for a considerable period during World War II, speaking over the Free Yugoslav radio. He married a daughter of Clement Gottwald, Communist Prime Minister of Czechoslovakia.

5. Gjilas and Karkelj are certainly members of the Politburo; Kidric possibly is a member.

6. The Yugoslav Consul General in Chicago is in disfavor with the Communist Party because the Communists believe he associates with Yugoslav Royalists.

7. The Communists are trying to gain control of the Croat group in Chicago. The group's recent meeting aroused considerable interest on the part of Yugoslav officials.

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